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**AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

Sir:

The following reply is responsive to the Office Action mailed August 9, 2006. Claims 1-19 were originally filed and they remain the claims pending for prosecution on the merits. Reexamination and reconsideration of the subject application, pursuant to and consistent with 37 CFR §1.112, are respectfully requested.

Applicants request that the period of responding be extended by two months whereby the Office is authorized to charge all necessary fees associated with the two month extension of time.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, which may be required to our deposit account No. 12-1155, including all required fees under: 37 C.F.R. §1.16; 37 C.F.R. §1.17; 37 C.F.R. §1.18; 37 C.F.R. §1.136.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.